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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER USS-CollarClamp-USNP <b>10/586115</b> U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/2005/000768	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 14 January 2005	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 14 January 2004
TITLE OF INVENTION Telescoping Member Methods and Apparatus		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Donald H. Eason		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>		
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol>		

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The following fees have been submitted	CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY																
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a))..... \$300	\$ 300.00																	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.																		
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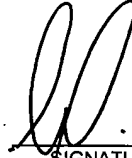
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**LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop PCT  
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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a United States National Stage application under 35 U.S.C. §371 entitled "Telescoping Member Methods and Apparatus", including the following documents:

1. a Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 (FORM PTO-1390 (REV 07-2005));
2. Application Data Sheet;
3. First Preliminary Amendment;
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9. an Information Disclosure Statement along with copies of Foreign and Other references cited;
10. this Letter of Transmittal along with a Credit Card Payment Form authorized in the amount of \$825.00 for National Phase filing fee; and
9. Express Mail Certificates for each document and a Postcard Receipt for return to the undersigned.

Please confirm receipt of the documents by applying your date stamp and serial number on the enclosed postcard and returning it to me.

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I have this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2006, either myself personally or through my direction of staff at this office, deposited all of the items in the above letter of transmittal with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2006.

Respectfully Submitted,  
SANTANGELO LAW OFFICES, P.C.

By: 

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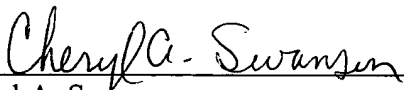
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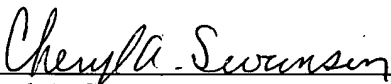
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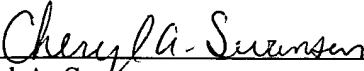
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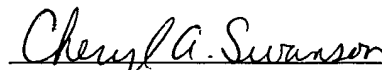
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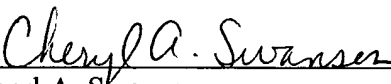
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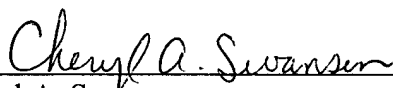
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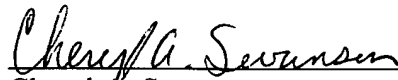
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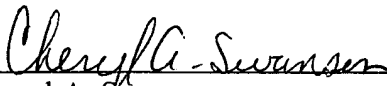
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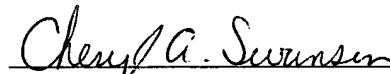
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